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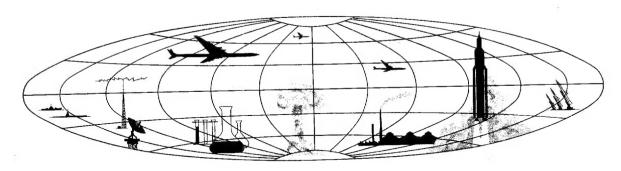
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		25X1
	-MISSILES-	
	SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE 2251N Ø8ØØ5W	
	SIX REVETTED CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, ONE CANVAS-COVERED HOLD AREA, ONE CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLE PARK, ONE UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE, AND AN OCCUPIED CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE REVETMENT OBSERVED.	
25X1		25X1
	CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N Ø7929W	
	SIX UNREVETTED LAUNCHERS (ONE CANVAS-COVERED), ONE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTER, ONE CANVAS-COVERED HOLD POSITION, ONE CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLE PARK, 2 CARGO TRUCKS, ONE UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.	ED
25X1		25X1
	JIGUANI SAM SITE 2021N 07620W	
	SIX UNREVETTED LAUNCHERS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF OTHER	

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VEHICLES, AND AN OCCUPIED SHED-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA

(OBSERVED.	
25X1 [25X1
SANTIAGO	O DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N Ø755ØW	
•	SIX UNREVETTED LAUNCHERS, 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AT LEAST 14 OTHER VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT, AND AN OCCUPIED SHED-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.	
25X1 [
SANTIAG	O DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W	25X1
25X1 [25X1	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS SINCE	
CIEGO D	E AVILA SAM SITE 2142N Ø785ØW] 25X1
	SITE CONTAINS 6 UNREVETTED LAUNCHERS (AT LEAST ONE WITH MISSILE), 6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (ONE AT LAUNCHER), 13 CANVAS-COVERED TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, ONE CARGO TRUCK, ONE UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.	
25X1 [
CIEGO D	DE AVILA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2152N Ø7844W]25X1
	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. TWENTY-THREE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (2 CANVAS-COVERED), 2 PROBABLE MISSILES ON DOLLIES, 5 FLATBED TRAILERS, ONE PROBABLE TRUCK-MOUNTED CRANE, 11 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND AT LEAST 52 MISSILE CANISTERS OBSERVED.	
25X1		25X1
VICTORI	IA DE LAS TUNAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2104N 07700W	
	TWENTY-THREE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 6 FLATBED TRACTOR- TRAILER TRUCKS, 17 CARGO TRUCKS, 11 TRACKED PRIME	

	MOVERS, NUMEROUS MISSILE CANISTERS, AND APPROXIMATELY . 30 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED.	
25X1		25X1
	CAMAGUEY AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2122N Ø775ØW	
	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. SITE CONTAINS 6 UNREVETTED LAUNCHERS (4 WITH MISSILES), 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 8 CANVAS-COVERED TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 2 VAN TRAILERS, 8 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS, AT LEAST 4 OTHER VEHICLES, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.	
25X1		
	SANTIAGO DE CUBA CRUISE-MISSILE STORAGE 2004N 07551W	25X1
	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. TWENTY-SIX CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES AND ONE CARGO TRUCK OBSERVED.	
25X1		
	-AIRFIELDS-	_
	CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N Ø7955W	25X1
	AIRCRAFT 2 FARMER, 15 FAGOT/FRESCO, AND 11 HOUND.	
25X1		25X1
	CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N Ø7751W	
	AIRCRAFT 2 TWIN-ENGINE LIAISON AND 2 DERELICT FAGOT/FRESCO.	
25X1		25X1
	HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W	
	AIRCRAFT 5 FAGOT/FRESCO.	
25X1		

		25X1
	ANTONIO MACEO AIRFIELD 1958N Ø755ØW	
	AIRCRAFT ONE CRATE, 3 LIAISON, AND ONE HOUND.	
25X1		25X1
	JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD 2209N 08025W	
	AIRCRAFT ONE POSSIBLE C-47.	
25X1		25X1
	BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W	
	AIRCRAFT 2 COLT AND ONE LIAISON.	
25X1		
	PORTS	25X1
	CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W	
	VESSELS — 2 POSSIBLE KRONSHTADT-CLASS PC, 3 PROBAPT, 2 POSSIBLE PT, 2 PROBABLE PC, AND 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS. ONE OF THE POSSIBLE KRONSHTADT-CLASS AND THE 2 POSSIBLE PT ARE DOCKED AT CUEVA PLACIDO.	
25X1		25X1
	MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W	
	NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.	
25X1		25X1
	MOA PORT 2039N 07454W	
	NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.	
25X1		

NPIC/R-1479/63 25X1 SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W VESSELS --- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS. ONE COASTAL FREIGHTER. ONE UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL, AND ONE DREDGE. 25X1 25X1 LA ISABELA PORT 2256N Ø8ØØ1W NO LARGE VESSELS, MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED. 25X1 25X1 CASILDA PORT 2145N Ø7959W NO LARGE VESSELS, ACTIVITY, OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED. 25X1 25X1 JUCARO PORT 2137N 07851W VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER ANCHORED SOUTH OF PORT. 25X1 25X1 PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N Ø7632W VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER AT CAYO JUAN CLARO. 25X1 -MILITARY ACTIVITY-25X1 HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W MAIN CAMP -- FACILITIES INCLUDE 119 LARGE TENTS (53 NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), 45 MEDIUM TENTS (2 NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), AND 37 SMALL TENTS. TANKS/SP GUNS, 9 SNAPPERS, ONE PROBABLE TANK RECOVERY

VEHICLE, 8 BRDM APC, 24 FA PIECES, 7 AAA PIECES, 221 CARGO TRUCKS, 12 CARGO TRAILERS, 26 UTILITY TRUCKS, 10 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 5 TRUCK-MOUNTED TREADWAY

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BRIDGES, ONE BTR 50-P, 14 VAN TRUCKS, 6 UNIDENTIFIED TRACKED VEHICLES, AND 5 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES
OBSERVED. PREVIOUSLY REPORTED GRADING SOUTH OF MOTOR PARK APPEARS TO BE A PROBABLE PARADE GROUND.
THE 6-GUN AAA SITE APPEARS OCCUPIED, AND 6 POSITIONS OF THE 9-GUN AAA SITE APPEAR OCCUPIED.
CAMP .6 NM SE -- NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PERMANENT FACILITIES. FORTY-FOUR LARGE AND ONE MEDIUM TENT (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), 3 CARGO TRUCKS, 6 UTILITY TRUCKS, ONE VAN TRUCK, AND 12 FA PIECES OBSERVED. THE 9-GUN AAA SITE APPEARS UNOCCUPIED.
CAMP 2.2 NM SE -- NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PERMANENT FACILITIES. SEVEN LARGE TENTS (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE) AND 29 TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

	CAMAGUEY MILITARY CAMP 1 2121N Ø7751W	25X1
25X1 25X1	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS SINCE	25X1
25/1		25X1
	REMEDIOS MILITARY CAMP 2226N Ø7934W	
25X1	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS SINCE EXCEPT — MAIN CAMP — 2 FROG LAUNCHERS, 2 UNIDENTIFIED TRACKED "THICLES, AND 3 VAN TRUCKS WITH TRAILERS NOT OBSERVED AT THEIR NORMAL PARKING APRON. CAMP .8 NM NW — A NEW OCCUPIED 6-GUN AAA SITE OBSERVED AT UTM COORDINATES 17Q PQ 454849 (AMS E723, SHEET 4283II, 2D ED).	
25X1		25X1
	SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2221N Ø7957W	
25X1	SEVENTEEN TANKS/SP GUNS AND 5 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED.	

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	CAMAGUEY MILITARY CAMP 2126N Ø7753W		7
	NO VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AR	EAS.	_
25X1			25X1
	EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2007N 07546W		
	TWO VEHICLES OBSERVED.		
25X1			25X1
	HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP NW 2057N 07616W		
	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. TWENTY-ONE TANKS/SP GUNS AND 11 CARGO TRUCKS OBSER	VED.	_
25X1			25X1
	TRINIDAD AREA, POSS MIL HEADQUARTERS 2150N 07953W		
	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. DARKNESS LIMITS FURTHER INTERPRETATION.		
25X1			25X1
	ALTAGRACIA, MILITARY AREA 2124N Ø7742W]
	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. NINE TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED.		
25X1			25X1
	SANTA CLARA AREA, ARTILLERY TRAINING AREA 2224N Ø8ØØW		
	AREA 1 — 7 CARGO TRUCKS, 5 FA PIECES, AND 2 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED. AREA 2 — 6-GUN AAA SITE APPEARS OCCUPIED. NO VEHICLES OBSERVED. AREA 3 — NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. THREE AAA SITE OBSERVED (OCCUPATION UNDETERMINED). NO VEHICLES OBSERVED. AREA 4 — NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. EIGHT VEHICLES OBSERVED.		

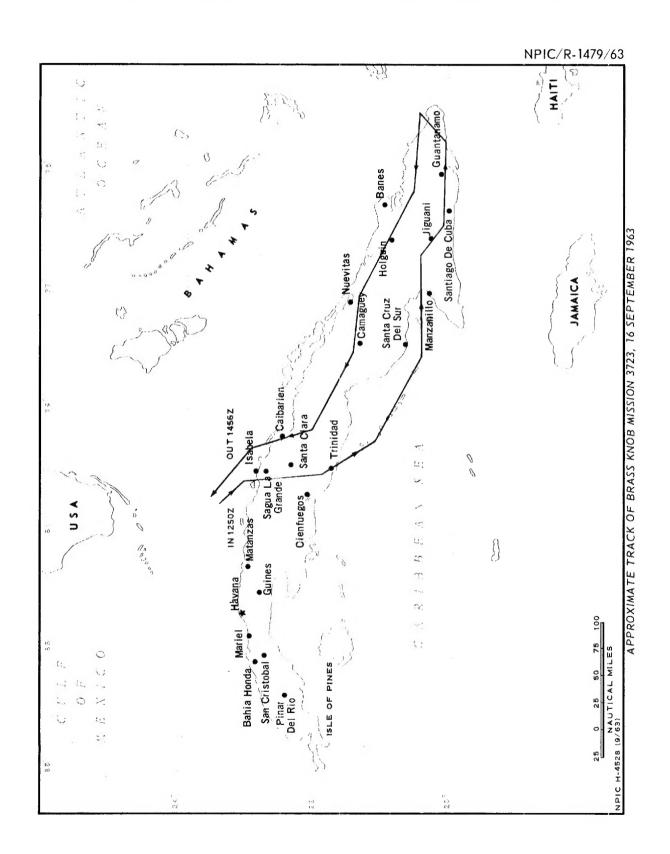
	AREA 5 — NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. NINETEEN TANKS/SP GUNS, 13 CARGO TRUCKS, AND ONE 3-GUN AAA SITE (OCCUPATION UNDETERMINED) OBSERVED.	
25X1		25X1
	LA VEGUITA MILITARY CAMP 2049N 07615W	
	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PERMANENT FACILITIES. ONE MEDIUM AND 2 LARGE TENTS (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), 15 CARGO TRUCKS, AND 12 FA PIECES OBSERVED.	
25X1		
	CHARCO DEL JOBO MILITARY AREA 2047N 07615W	25X1
	ONE MEDIUM AND 7 LARGE TENTS (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), 3 CARGO TRUCKS, AND 15 FA PIECES OBSERVED.	
25X1		
	MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-	25X1
	LA ROSITA STORAGE DEPOT BARAJAGUA 2208N 08004W	
	NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. TWO CARGO TRUCKS, ONE POSSIBLE BUS, AND 4 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED.	
25X1		25X1
	SANTA CLARA MILITARY INSTALLATION CUBANACAN 2224N Ø7953W	
	ESCUELA TECNOLOGICA — ONE HARE. STORAGE AREA NORTH — 2 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS. CLUB CUBANACAN — 4 VAN TRUCKS.	
25X1		
25X1		25X1
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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-			
THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE LAST COVERAGE			
SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1		Ø8ØØ1W	25X1
SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2 REMEDIOS IRBM SITE	2225N	Ø7951W Ø7935W	
TRINIDAD AIRFIELD		Ø7959W	
CAIBARIEN PORT HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP SOUTHWEST		Ø7928W Ø7617W	
LA JUTIA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2155N	Ø8Ø16W	
MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH	1957N	Ø7557W	057/4
			25X1
THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT NOT INTERPRETED			
CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE		Ø8Ø24W	
MANZANILLO SAM SITE MANATI SAM SITE		Ø77Ø6W Ø77Ø2W	
DELEITE SAM SITE		Ø8Ø45W	
CIFUENTES SAM ASSEMBLY AREA HOLGUIN SAM SITE		Ø8ØØ5W Ø7627W	
LOS CANOS AIRFIELD	2004N	Ø75Ø9W	
NUEVITAS PORT	2132N	Ø7716W	

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